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Senate Bill 184?

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Churches able to give the gift of transportation

Senate Bill 184 Approved by Legislature

Churches have been given another tool to help the needy. Senate Bill 184, sponsored by Senator Garcia, will be extremely beneficial to churches, specifically those who are outreach-oriented.

When a vehicle is donated to a church from a parishioner or community member and then is subsequently given to someone in need of daily transportation, the issue of paying the use tax owed to the state arises for the church or the recipient. Most people who would qualify for this help would not be able to pay the tax and title fees on a donated vehicle. SB 184 eliminates any financial responsibility by the church or the recipient for the use tax.

The transportation gift will not only benefit needy families, but will also assist them in becoming active in their communities. They will gain the ability to obtain a job or possibly secure a better paying position due to their new mobility, help transport children to school or to the doctor, and have the potential to participate in neighborhood programs that were otherwise too far away to attend.

SB 184 will now be sent to the governor for her signature.

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